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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,
Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Cornhill. GORDON & GORCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co.,
4 Old Jewry, E.C.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—Gordon & Gorch, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—WHYTE & BATES, San
Francisco
CHINA.—Swatow, DROWN & Co. Amoy,
GILES & Co. Foochow, THOMPSON &
Co. Shanghai, H. POGG & Co. Ma-
nila, C. KAPLAN & Co.

Arrivals.

Dec. 15, *Glendower*, Brit. barque, 489,
Wilson, Yokohama, Dec. 4, Ballast.—Bor-
neo Co. Lumper.
Dec. 15, *Columbian*, Brit. steamer, 617,
Lohmütz, Shanghai, Dec. 12, General.—
GILMAN & Co.
Dec. 16, *Kwang Tung*, Brit. steamer, 498,
Pitman, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow,
Dec. 13, 14 and 15, Tea, Treasure and Sun-
dries.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Dec. 16, *Costa Rica*, North G. barque,
306, Wunderlich, Chetoo, Dec. 7, General.—
SIEMSEN & Co.
Dec. 16, *Erk King*, British steamer, 1044,
Finel, Shanghai, Dec. 12, General.—AV-
COURTIES HEARD & Co.

Departures.

Dec. 16, *Douglas*, for Swatow.
16, *Santa Anna*, for Manila.
16, *Japan*, for Yokohama, &c.
16, *Roslin Castle*, for Whampoa.
16, *Macedon*, for Manila.
16, *Rebecca Goddard*, for Saigon.
16, *Hesperus*, for Bangkok.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.—Per *Glendower*, 9 European
deck.
Per *Kwang Tung*, Messrs Weller, Hitch-
cock, Blackwood, Bush, Pausanally, G. de
Claperton, and 80 Chinese deck.
Per *Erk King*, Messrs Godall, Grinell,
Sherran, Sherran (Japanese), A. Fonseca,
W. H. Judd, and 63 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

The British barque *Glendower*, from
Shanghai, reports fine weather and moder-
ate N.E. monsoon all the passage to Hong-
kong. The steamships *Erk King* and
China, were going to leave Shanghai on
13th inst. for Hongkong. The steamer
Yesso arrived at Shanghai on 12th inst.
from the North, passed steamer *Tiwas*
going up the river; the ship *Beulah* at
anchor in the river bound up.

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kohama, reports fine weather and moder-
ate N.E. monsoon all the first part of the passage;
then strong N.E. monsoon till arrival.

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The steamship *Kwang Tung*, reports,
having left Foochow on the 13th, Amoy
14th, and Swatow 15th; experienced moder-
ate N.E. wind and fine weather all the
passage down. Passed steamer *Formosa*
off Rees Islands on the night of the 14th.
H.M.S. *Perseus* was in Swatow when the
Kwang Tung left.

New Advertisements.

UNION DOCK COMPANY
OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA
LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Ordinary Annual Meeting of the
Shareholders in the above Company
will be held at the Company's Office, in the
Houkang Hotel building, on FRIDAY,
the 18th day of December next, at noon, to
receive the report and accounts, and elect
Directors for the ensuing year in the place
of those who retire in conformity with the
provisions of the articles of association.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, December 12, 1868. de26

BELLEVUE HOUSE.
PRIVATE BOARD AND LODGING
ESTABLISHMENT.
Hollywood Road, No. 6, next to the
Horse d'Eau, lately Mrs VINTON'S.
CHARLES F. SEABURG.
Hongkong, December 4, 1868.

As the Undersigned intends leaving Hong-
kong in a short time, those desiring his
services will address him at once.
J. S. BURLINGHAM,
Surgeon Dentist.
Hotel d'Europe, December 3, 1868.

LOTTERY.
TWO DRAWING-ROOM SELF-ACTING ORGANS.
HE above are very fine instruments,
and an Ornament to a Drawing-Room.
100 chances at \$5 each. They are on view
on the premises, 55 and 60, Wellington
street, up to the date of drawing—24th
December, 1868, at 1 o'clock p.m., provid-
ing the lottery be filled up.
First prize, large Organ; second, small
one.
F. DA CUNHA & Co.
Hongkong, December 7, 1868.

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE.
ALL Orders for Goods Supplied to or
work done for the Hotel must be
signed by the Secretary of the Company.
The Company will not undertake to pay
for any Goods Supplied without such
Order.
By order of the Board of Directors,
G. L. NODDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 27, 1868. de1

HONGKONG HOTEL.
THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a
new arrangement commencing on the
1st of December. The Charges for Board
will remain as follows:
Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a
month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One
Breakfast or one Tiffin, 80 cents. One
Dinner, \$1.25.
There is an excellent assortment of wines
for sale at moderate prices.
The Charges for Lodging will be very
considerably reduced. Rooms are offered
to monthly lodgers at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40,
or \$45 a month.
Occasional Visitors are charged \$4 a day
for their Rooms with or without board.
There is an ample supply of Bathrooms,
and Gas is laid on throughout the house.
Hongkong, November 27, 1868. de1

NOTICE.
ALL Persons having claims against the
Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, de-
ceased, sitting Assistant Surveyor General,
are requested to send in particulars of same
on or before the 31st day of December
next, to
F. I. HAZELAND,
Solicitor.
Supreme Court House.
Hongkong, November 20, 1868. de31

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg
to call attention to their new
GOODS for the Season, received per
recent arrivals.

For Christmas Tables.

Mince Meat, Muscatels, Figs.
Raisins, Crystallised Fruits.
Currants, Plum Puddings.
Oranges, Lemons and Citron Peel.
Fricassee de Grenouilles.
Pock Cutlets, Truffled Sausages.
Whitebait, Venison, Salmon.
Truffles, Vanilla, Bonbons.
Prunes, Dessert Fruits.
Roso Water Crackers.
Cheddar, Albert and Stilton Cheese.
A Boar's Head.
Krug's Champagne.
Glenlivet Whiskey.
Ports, Sherries, Bass.
Liqueurs in great variety.
Olmstead's Stores of first rate quality.
&c., &c., &c.

For the Children.

A splendid assortment of Toys.
Christmas Tree Ornaments.
Games and Books of Games.
Illustrated Gift Books.
Rocking Horses—Dragées.
A Child's Swing.

For Christmas and New Year's

Gifts.
Parian Statuettes.
Perfume Cases.
Dressing Cases.
Writing Cases.
Flower Vases.
Richly-bound and Illustrated Books.
Stereoscopes, Slides and Boxes.
Fancy boxes of Bonbons.
Photographic Albums.
Oliver Magazines and Cases.
Pipes and Cigar Tubes.
&c., &c., &c.

In General New Stock.

Sporting Gear of all kinds.
Shooting Coats and Boots.
Riding and other Saddlery and
Whips.
Mantelpieces, Grates, Fenders and
Irons.
Overland Trunks, Railway Valises.
Croquet Sets, Athletic Gear.
Perfumery and Brushes.
Wall-papers in large variety.
Sheet Lead, Stamp-plates.
Electro-Plate in good selection.
A large Invoice of Standard Works.
Novels, Books on Athletics, &c.
Fashionable Collars, Ties and Scarves.
Carpetts, Rugs, and Curtains.
Sticks and Umbrellas.
Tweeds, Coatings and Flannels.
&c., &c., &c.
Many other seasonable GOODS.
Hongkong, December 9, 1868. de3

New Advertisements.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that a GEN-
ERAL MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS of the HONGKONG HOTEL COM-
PANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Com-
pany's Hotel, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
on TUESDAY, the 23rd December, 1868,
at half-past Two p.m., to receive the Re-
port and Accounts and elect Directors for
the ensuing year.
At the conclusion of the above Meeting
an Extraordinary Meeting will be held to
consider the advisability of altering No. 38
of the Articles of Association.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. LANGDON DAVIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de29

Entertainments.

73rd REGIMENT THEATRICALS.
BAND AMATEUR SOCIETY.
BY the kind permission of Lieut. Colonel
G. J. BUENE,
The Members of the above will perform
at the
GARRISON THEATRE,
North Bazaar,
on
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,
The 16th and 18th December, 1868.
The Grand Comic Operatic Extravaganza,
BY
Messrs A. HALLIDAY and F. LAWRENCE,
Entitled
KENILWORTH,
OR
YE QUEEN, YE EARLE, AND YE MAYDENMARE.
Queen Elizabeth, Mr. E. MALONE.
Earle of Leicester, Mr. G. INGMAN.
Amy Robert, Miss Louisa M. GILL.
Walker Raleigh, Mr. F. W. BARTLEY.
Freilichen, Mr. T. H. BARNARD.
Duke of Sussex, Mr. W. SNOW.
Janet, Miss J. G. GILFILLAN.
Wayland Smith, Mr. J. MACKAY.
Michael Lambourne, Mr. W. DEFOOD.
Tony Foster, alias Mr. T. ANDREWS.
Fire the Fagot, Mr. T. HARDING.
Giles Gooling, Mr. T. HARDING.
To conclude with the laughable Farce in
one act,
JOHN COUNTRY, Esq.,
Entitled
TWO BOYS.
Colonel Bumpus, Mr. G. INGMAN.
Jack Bumpus, Mr. T. ANDREWS.
Thomas Folt, Mr. J. BULL.
Poker Folt, Mr. W. C. WATKINS.
Waiter, Mr. F. W. BARTLEY.
James, Mr. G. HENRY.
Caroline Leslie, Miss M. HARDING.
Miss Amelia Fitz, Miss AMY SNOW.
herbert Nibble, Miss AMY SNOW.
Belay Boodle, Miss LUCY BEDFORD.
Mary, Miss EILEEN QUINNIVAN.
Orchestra by the remainder of the Band.
TICKETS OF ADMISSION.
Reserved Seats, \$2.00.
Front Seats, 1.00.
Back Seats, 0.50.
Tickets to be had from the Manager at
Murray Barracks and at the Door of the
Theatre on the Night of Performance.
Doors open at half past 8; Performance
to commence at 9 precisely.
Manager, T. H. BARNARD.
VIVAT REGINA.

Public Auction.

**THE Undersigned will sell by Public
Auction, on**
THURSDAY,
the 17th December, 1868, at 12 o'clock,
at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank
Buildings,
10 doz. boxes Mathematical Instru-
ments.
12 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief.
12 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief, in bottles, with
compacts.
24 doz. assorted Essences for the
Handkerchief, in bottles, with
Thermometer.
50 doz. Lavender Water.
10 sets Table Cutlery.
50 doz. Sailor's Knives.
100 gross patent safety Watches.
20 doz. cards Children's Knives,
Forks and Spoons.
20 boxes Fancy Soap.
25 boxes Yellow Soap.
20 doz. Day and Martin's Blacking.
50 kegs Iron Nails assorted.
20 pieces white Flannel.
5 cases Sardines.
A few superior Spirit Levels.
3 cases Gold Stones.
20 barrels Allsopp's Beer.
An assortment of Tumblers and Wine
Glasses.
And,
Balance of an Invoice of Hosiery, con-
prising—
50 doz. Men's white Lambewool
Hose.
50 doz. Men's white Cotton & Hose.
50 doz. Women's white Cotton Hose.
12 Saxony Quilts.
50 doz. fancy striped worsted Hose.
100 doz. Girls' white Cotton Hose,
assorted sizes.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7/1.7.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 15, 1868. de17

Auctions.

H. B. M. Gunboats "HARDY" and
"DRAKE" will be
SOLD BY AUCTION,
at the NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, on
TUESDAY,
the 9th February, 1869, (unless previously
disposed of by private agreement).
The *Hardy* is of 235 tons and 60 h. power.
The *Drake* is 238 " "
The following are the articles to be sold
with each vessel, viz:—
Hull complete.
No masts or yards.
2 Anchors.
1124 Fathoms Cable.
Awnings complete, with Iron Stan-
dards.
Davits for 2 Boats.
1 Diving, 14 feet.
4 Oars and Avoings.
2 Downton's Pumps (1 complete).
A pair of 30 Horse Power high pressure
engines by Messrs. MAUDSLAY, SONS and
FIELD, in fair working order. A set of 8
boilers, considerably worn but repairable.
Spare Gear.
Cylinder Cover, 1 in No.
Cross Head, 1 " "
Eccentric Ring, 1 " "
Piston and Rod, 1 " "
Propeller (brass), 1 " "
Rod connecting, complete, 1 " "
Feed pump rod, 1 " "
Bilge do. do, 1 " "
Slide do. do, 1 " "
Guide blocks, 2 " "
With the "Drake."
Masts complete.
Yards do.
Rigging do.
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A. H. PRICE,
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Hongkong, November 27, 1868. feb9

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Hongkong, December 8, 1868. jan8

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Steamer and back through Queen's Road,
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Piston and Rod, 1 " "
Propeller (brass), 1 " "
Rod connecting, complete, 1 " "
Feed pump rod, 1 " "
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Guide blocks, 2 " "
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HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate
of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.
On Fixed Deposits.—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 6 per cent. " "
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, June 17, 1868.

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Shipping.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA (Direct.)
HE P. & O. steam-ship
will leave for the above place at Noon on
FRIDAY, the 18th inst.
W. MACAULAY,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, December 10, 1868. de18

FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT.

The steam-ship
"SHATESBURY,"
Captain ARTHUR, will leave
this for the above port, on
Sunday morning next, the
20th inst., at daylight.
For Freight, &c., apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, December 15, 1868. de20

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALCUTTA.
The British steamer
"T. A. GIBB,"
Capt. GARDNER, will be des-
patched for the above ports,
on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 2 P.M.
Despatches will close at 1 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868. de22

FOR SAIGON.

The A. 1 North German barque
"JOHANNA MATHILDE,"
Captain LOHSE, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE.

The American Barque
"DESPATCH,"
Captain JONES, will have quick
despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1868. de1

FOR SYDNEY (DIRECT.)

The British Barque
"MELROSE,"
Captain KINDRED, will have
quick despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1868. de1

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
Ex "Whitehall," "Red Deer," and other Arrivals.
BASS'S SALE in highlands and kiltedkins. Do. do. in glass, quarts and pints. Guinness's Dublin STOUT in quarts and pints. Barclay & Co's. PORTER in wood. Hennessy's Pale BRANDY in bottle. Gales & Co's. superior Pale BRANDY in bottle. Barlaresque's superior fine Champagne COGNAC. Duff Gordon's SHERRIES, from \$7.50 to \$13 per dozen. Light dinner SLEERY at \$6 per dozen. Tawny Old PORT. Full flavored fruit PORT. Swain and Board's Ginger WINE and Ginger BRANDY. Oilman's Stores of every description, from Crosse & Blackwell and J. T. Morton; Compton Brothers' HAMS, CHEESE and BACON. Oxford, Cambridge and German SAUSAGES, Paté de Foie Gras TRUFFLES, Assorted Truffled Game and Meat Patés. Perigord TRUFFLES, at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Ex Recent Arrivals.
AMERICAN Prime Mess BEEF, in barrels and half-barrels. Hamburg Prime Mess BEEF, in barrels. Prime Danish BUTTER, in 7 lb. tins, quite fresh. Muller's celebrated LAGERBIER, in cases of 4 doz. quarts at \$8 per case. Dettlold's Bremen PALE ALE in quarts. LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
Ex "Finzel," "Red Deer," &c.
HUBBOK'S boiled Linseed OIL, in drums and wood. Hubbuck's raw Linseed OIL, in drums and wood. Hubbuck's bright VARNISH, in barrels. Spirits of TURPENTINE, in drums. Hubbuck's best white ZINC, white LEAD, dry red LEAD, black, green and blue PAINTS, &c. &c. Peacock's patent Composition, rigging LEATHER, Pump LEATHER, Deep Sea Lead LINES, hand Lead LINES, Log LINES, signal HALLS BUNTING. Assorted colors BUNTING. Best English Spite PEAS, in barrels, at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

Just Received from "Rotterdam."
WYNAND FOKING'S Double ORANGE CURACOA. Wynand Foking's white CURACOA. A/VH GIN in white and square bottles. Pomerance BITTERS. LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

Just Received from France and for Sale by the Undersigned.
A Fresh supply of BUTTER in Bottles, in finest condition. Gruyere CHEESE. French CHOCOLATE at 75c. per lb. A fine assortment of French BONBONS, and CONFECTIONERY. FRUITS in Juice, from Teyssonneau. Do. in Brandy. Crystallized FRUIT, BONBONS with Mottos, &c. A large assortment of VEGETABLES in tins. MACCARONI and VERMICELLI. French MUSTARD, French Salad OIL, French white Wine VINGAR. LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

FOR SALE.
T. & D. Henry's best Government Navy CANVASES constantly on hand at LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

CAVITE CIGARS.
13 Cases, Ex "San Lorenzo."
For Sale by EDWARD J. SAGE. Hongkong, December 14, 1868. de21

FOR SALE.
THE Copyright and Plant of the Shanghai Recorder, Daily Newspaper, and Supreme Court and Consular Gazette, Weekly Newspaper, or one-half interest in the same.
Tenders to be received on or before the 20th instant. For particulars, apply at the Office.
 Shanghai, 5th December, 1868. de20

NEW CHRISTMAS GOODS JUST RECEIVED AT
THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
Rose Water Crackers.
Rose Water Fountains.
Chocolate a Menier.
Fat BREAKFAST & EATING.
Fancy Boxes Chocolate and Bonbons.
Fruit of every description.
New Perfumery.
Perfume Regulators.
Fairy Soap in great variety.

CHERRY Tooth Paste.
Magneto Machines.
Silicated Carbon Filters.
Felt Chest Protectors and Cork Respirators—to be had at the VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

DE Laville's Celebrated Gout Mixture and Pills to be had at the VICTORIA DISPENSARY. Hongkong, December 10, 1868. de21

Ex "Whitehall," and Mail.
CHOCOLATE MENIER in Plain and Handsome boxes. Bohemian Vases, fancy Toilet Sets, and a great variety of New Goods, suitable for Christmas Presents. Bonbons, Mocha Nuts, Cakes, Mince-meat, fancy Dessert Fruits, Confectionery, Toys, &c. Also, Christy's New Shape Folk Hats, Neckties, and Scarves, in great variety; Fancy Coatings, &c. S. W. BAKER & Co. Hongkong, December 11, 1868. ja2

SAIL MAKING.
PAWETT & Co. having secured the services of an experienced Sail-Maker, are prepared to MAKE or REPAIR SAILS at very reasonable rates. Hongkong, December 10, 1868. ja1

Insurance.

"THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANCUN."
NOTICE.
 NOTICE is hereby given that in compliance with the requirements of Section Number Fifty of "The Companies Ordinance, 1865," an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Society, No. 12, Traya, on Monday, the Twenty-first day of December next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose on the Fifth day of December next. Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct. A. D. 1868. By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT WATMORE, Secretary. dec21

CHINA TRADER'S INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE General Dividend of Dollars Three Hundred and Fifty (\$350) per share will be payable at the office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants, on and after the 15th inst.
 By order, AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. General Agents. Hongkong, December 9, 1868. ja9

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS, in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.
Consulting Committee:
 GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq. WM. KAYE, Esq. R. D. SARGENT, Esq. F. BUXBY, Esq. General Managers, Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Limited.
 FANY, which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital. It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital. It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and measures are being taken for that purpose. In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—

The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to.....\$304,727.72
 The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to.....\$130,081.22
 and include the large sum of \$85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.
 The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds.....\$160,000.00

These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organized business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

The following are the main features of the New Company:
 1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on entry, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.
 2. Interest at 12 per cent per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December. The profits after deducting the said interest to be applied thus—20 per cent, pro rata, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or contributed to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 80 per cent to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.
 3. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.
 4. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.

5. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved of by the Committee. The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. ja29

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
BOWRA & Co. have received instructions from A. H. PAICE, Esq., H. M. Naval and Victualling Storekeeper, to sell by Public Auction, at the Naval Yard, Hongkong, on

TUESDAY,
 29th Dec., 1868, at 11 o'clock a.m.,—
 The undermentioned condemned and unserviceable Naval and Victualling STORES, viz:—
 About 56,000 lbs. Biscuits.
 A quantity of Biscuit Dust, Flour, Rum, Raisins, Slush, Candles, Staves, Headings, Iron Hoops, empty Cases and Tins, Iron Tanks, Implements, old Iron, (cast and wrought), Leather, Glass, Bunting, Steel, India Rubber; Sacks and painted Rags, Iron Casks, Lignum Vite, Crockeryware, Sheet-iron, Blue Cloth, Cotton Drill, Blue Serge, Blankets, Wrappers Beds, and Soap, &c. &c.
 A Galley and a Barge, &c. &c.
 TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. de29

The Diamond Line S. S. "UNITED SERVICE," will leave for Shanghai, on Sunday morning next, 29th instant.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED. Hongkong, December 18, 1868. de21

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHEW.
 The Steam-ship "KWANG TUNG," Captain PITMAN, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 16, 1868. if

NOTICE.
ESTATE OF DENT AND CO.

FIRST DIVIDEND of Ten per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st January next. On application to the undersigned, at the Office of the Trustees, Pedder's Hill, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees which will be payable on presentation at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. By order of the Trustees, E. WHEELLEY. Hongkong, November 28, 1868. ja1

CHRISTADELPHIAN SYNAGOGUE.
 No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
THOSE in Hongkong, who have become Christians, by believing the things "concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ" (Acts viii-12) and being thereafter, immersed in water in obedience to Apostolic Commandment (Acts ii-38).

MEET EVERY SUNDAY.
 In the morning at 11 a.m. for the breaking of bread, and for worship, and in the evening at 7 o'clock, for the proclamation of the Word.
 N.B.—Christadelphians means "Brethren of Christ," and is adopted by those acknowledging it, to distinguish them from ordinary "Christians" who in the estimation of the former, are departed from the faith of Christ, and turned unto fables (2 Tim. i. 4-6).
LOOKING FOR HIS APPEARING.
 Hongkong, November 20, 1868. de20

WANTED.
TONNAGE to Amoy for 300 to 400 Tons of Dead Weight. Apply to ROBERT S. WALKER & Co. Hongkong, October 21, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the "WANHOI STEAM BAKERY," begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.
 Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.
 Also Butter, Biscuits, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
 Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Salesters and Cream TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
 The above is under the Superintendence of Mr JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs MAUEW & Co's will receive prompt attention.
 L. P. WARD. Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

GEORGE GLASSE,
(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO)
KINGSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY
LONDON, AND 28, PLACE
VENDOME, PARIS)
ENGLISH AND FOREIGN
CHEMIST
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.
SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS
SUPPLIED & REFITTED.
 Hongkong, May 1, 1867. if

JOHN THOMPSON & Co.,
DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL
CHEMISTS
AND
SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.
 Ships' Medicine Chests supplied and refitted.
"TEETH EXTRACTED."
INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY,
 23 Wellington Street, Hongkong.
 Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

New Advertisements.

EASTLACK & WINN,
Surgeon Dentists,
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.
FRANK & ROBERTS,
General & Commission Agents
NAGASAKI.

SAYLE & Co.,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
QUEEN'S ROAD,

RESPECTFULLY solicit inspection of their New GOODS, in the following Departments.

SILKS.
 Evening Dresses—Velvets.
RIBBONS.
 Fancy Dresses.
HOSIERY.
 Trimmings.
HABERDASHERY.
 Prints.
MANTLES.
 Jackets.
BONNETS.
 Ladies' Outfits.
BABY LINEN.

Gentlemen's Hats—Gloves.
HOSIERY.
 Tweeds.
 Tailoring in all its Branches.
PERFUMERY, &c.

Household Linens—Blankets.
CARPETS.
FURNISHING DRAPERY,
 Etc., Etc.

P.S.—The Dress-making, Millinery and Tailoring are under the Superintendence of experienced West End hands.
 Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

LATEST SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 Dec. 16, *United Service*, British steamer, 777, E. S. Gaine, London, Madras, Mauritius, and Singapore, Arr. 12.22. Nov. 11, and Dec. 5, General.—*Borneo Company*.
 Dec. 16, *Nuevo Constante*, Spanish brig, 203, Fabio, Manila, Dec. 4, General.—*Remedios* & Co.

CLEARED.
Columbine, for Canton.
Gipsy, for Saigon.
Rachoras, for Bangkok.
Chloris, for Bombay.

PASSENGERS.
 The following European passengers left this for Canton, on Saturday:—
 36 Cabin Passengers.
 The following European passengers arrived here from Canton to-day:—
 Messrs Brandt and Cairns, Rev. Dr. Kerr.

ARRIVAL.—Per United Service, Mrs Peterson, Mrs Vock, and Mrs. J. M. Bosman, R. H. Abbott, F. Canovaro, and 18 Chinese in steerage. For New York, in cabin, Messrs A. Schlicht and Geo. Willard, and 2 Europeans in steerage.

SHIPPING-REPORTS.
 The British steamer *United Service*, from London, reports fine weather during the first part of passage. Put back to Mauritius on the 31st of Oct. with loss of propeller; left thence on the 12th of Nov.; since then experienced alternate fine and bad weather. Crossed the Equator on 2nd Sept., in long. 11 W.; passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 18th Sept. in lat. 35 S., long. 74 45 E., spoke the British barque *Diamond*, from Foochow bound South, 48 days out; H. B. M. str. *Himalaya* has arrived at Singapore, with troops.

WHAMPOA SHIPPING.
DEPARTURE.
 Dec. 15, *Colima*, for Ningpo, General.

CARGOES.
 Summary of Imports and Exports passed at the Canton River Steamer Office during the week ended 12th December.
 Imported from Kowloon and Poyang, from Hongkong:—
 608 bales Bengal Cotton.
 151 bales Bombay Cotton.
 708 bales Native Cotton.
 232 bales Cotton Yarn.
 605 pigs Lead.
 146 packages Tobacco.
 15 casks Ginseng.
 5 packages Native Ginseng.
 11 bales Jade Stone.
 14 bales Elephant's Teeth.
 114 bales Wax.
 140 bundles Mats.
 8 cases Medicines.
 44 chests Patna and Malwa Opium.
 67 cases and bales Cotton Goods.
 54 cases and bales Woollen Goods.
 9 boxes Tea.
 159 packages Sundries.
 Exported per *Kinshan* and *Poyang* to Hongkong:—
 492 cases and bales Fine Silk.
 250 cases Punjium.
 102 bales Coconuts.
 38 cases Shawls, Handkerchiefs, &c.
 9 bales Silk Ruffs.
 19 tons (50 piculs) Cassia.
 37 tons Fire Crackers.
 751 boxes Preservatives.
 13 packages China Ware.
 126 cases Glass Bangles.
 30 cases Paper.
 15 tons Tea.
 239 packages and parcels Sundries.

Summary of Imports and Exports, into and from the Canton Custom House, by the Native Craft during the week ended 13th December.

Imported from Hongkong:—
 626 bales Agri-agar.
 301 piculs Alum.
 4058 bags Botoltons.
 415 bales Cotton.
 143 bags Coke.
 62 bags China Root.
 83 bags Cardamoms.
 780 bags Chaff.
 518 bags red Dates.
 209 packages Fish Maws.
 82 packages Glue.
 264 cases window Glass.
 108 bales Goats' Hair.
 3413 packages and 361 pieces Nail Rods, Bars and Hoops.
 47 packages and 72 pieces old Iron.
 1006 pigs Lead.
 139 cases Tin Plates.
 675 packages Medicines.
 101 piculs Mangrove Bark.
 45 piculs Pepper.
 727 packages dried Persimmons.
 65 Pigs.
 20,567 piculs Pens.
 1607 bags Rice.
 16,019 bundles Rattans.
 51 piculs Sapwood.
 52 piculs Sandalwood.
 100 boxes Soap.
 390 packages Tobacco.
 55 bales Wax.
 78 packages old Copper.
 100 piculs Buffalo Hides.
 990 packages Sundries.
 Exported to Hongkong:—
 417 packages Charcoal.
 144 packages Chinaware.
 105 bales Bamboo Sticks.
 211 pieces and 6 tubs Earthenware.
 68 boxes Fire Crackers.
 60 cases Rice Flour.
 243 baskets Green Ginger.
 69 packages Iron Ware.
 53 packages Iron Nails and Wire.
 37 packages Java Sticks.
 3730 rolls and bundles Mats.
 244 bundles old Mats.
 119 packages Medicines.
 200 cases Ground Nuts.
 156 packages salted and green Olives.
 7124 packages Pickles.
 110 packages Paper Ware.
 221 packages Toothpowder.
 1214 pieces Planks.
 345 jars Samscho.
 2103 bags and baskets Sugar.
 60 jars Soy.
 50 baskets Peas.
 1056 cases and 8300 jars Tea.
 87 baskets salted Vegetables.
 178 baskets Yams.
 885 packages Woodware.
 138 pieces Furniture.
 306 pieces Bamboo-ware.
 20 Goats.
 68 packages Lacquered Ware.
 182 packages Water Cans.
 1686 packages Sundries.
 Per *Colima*, cleared for Ningpo:—
 3800 bales Fans.
 100 cases dried Lichees.
 100 cases dried Lungans.
 20 packages Sundries.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.
MAILS WILL CLOSE:
 For YOKOHAMA, at 11 a.m. on Friday, the 18th instant.
 For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA, at 2 p.m.
 For T. A. GIBB, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 1 p.m.
 For YOKOHAMA, on Saturday next, the 19th inst., at 5 p.m.
 For SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 1 p.m.

It is hereby notified that, under the authority of a Treasury Warrant dated the 1st May last, Superintending, or First-Class Schoolmasters in the Army will, in future, be entitled to the same privileges in regard to Letters sent by or addressed to them on their own private affairs as are at present enjoyed by Commissioned Officers in the Army; and all Army Schoolmasters will be entitled (as Army Schoolmasters of all but the First-Class now are) to the same privileges, in regard to their Letters, as are enjoyed by non-commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
 General Post Office, Hongkong, July 31, 1868.

UNDER DESPATCH.
 For Yokohama.—Per *Sultan*, at 11 a.m. on Friday, the 18th instant.
 For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per T. A. Gibb, on Tuesday, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m.
 For Yokohama.—Per *Str. Shaftesbury*, on Saturday next, the 18th inst., at 6 p.m.
 For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per *Glengyle*, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 2 p.m.

QUOTATIONS.
 HONGKONG, 16th December, 1868.
OPTUM.—Patna, New, \$625
 Bonares, New, 621 1/2
 Malwa, 605 a 687 1/2
COTTON.—Calcutta, 16 a 10 1/2
 Bombay, 16 1/2 a 2 50
 SHANGHAI, 19 a 20

Exchange.
 Bank, 6 months' sight, 4 1/2
 Credits, 6, 4 1/2
 On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 228
 Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 223
 Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 74
 Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., 9 1/2 nominal
 Sycee, 6.10 a 6.50
 Mexicans, 25.50 a 25.00
 Gold Leaf, 28.50 a 28.00
 Gold Bar, 28.50 a 28.00
 English Sovereigns, 4.65
 Australian Sovereigns, 4.63
 Discount, 9 a 10
 H. & W. Dock, Old, 4 p. o. dis.; New, 25
 H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, 28 p. c. p.
 Do. do. New, 28 p. c. p.
 Union Dock, 20 p. c. dis.

Temperature.
 HONGKONG, 16th December, 1868.
 (Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises, Queen's Road.)
 Thermometer—9 A.M., Dry, 68
 Do. Wet, 63
 Do. 4 P.M., Dry, 70
 Do. Wet, 65
 Self-registered Maximum, 73
 Do. Min. over night, 64
 BAROMETER—9 A.M., 30.393
 Do. 4 P.M., 30.317

NOTICE.—It is particularly requested that all communications relating to the general business of this paper be addressed to the Proprietor and in no case to individuals by name. Much delay and inconvenience in the transaction of business will thereby be avoided.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.
 Our columns are open to all who wish to address the public on legitimate grounds, but we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions of our correspondents.
 All communications addressed to this paper must be accompanied by the name of the sender, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 16, 1868.

We direct the attention of our readers to the news from Yangchow, as given in another column. If this be true, the *Rodney* (whose capture, we learn from another source, is part of Li Hung chang's imputed programme) will have more work cut out for her, and the Regiments here in garrison may yet see "active service" in China.

THE AUSTRIAN EXPEDITION TO THE FAR EAST.

(Continued.)
 The Commissioners of German Austria were selected for their respective qualifications, from nearly 150 competitors; all of them have a full acquaintance with the English and French languages, and some with the Italian; they are salaried by, and under the instructions of, the Government, to whom they have to communicate the result of their researches, and experiences; and it is hoped that in this way new channels of commerce and industry will be opened between their "Fatherland" and the countries they visit, and that their friendly reception and the assistance accorded to them by residents in China will enable them to return to their home with pleasant remembrances of the Far East and a successful issue to their exertions.

The diplomatic section, at the head of which is the Counsellor of Legation, Baron von Herbert, comprises in addition the Secretary of the Legation, Baron Trautenberg, and the Attachés of Embassy, Baron Rausonnet and Ghyza von Bernat. From this it would seem almost beyond doubt that a permanent Austrian Embassy at Peking is one of the objects of the expedition; after which, should Austrian interests require it, there can be as little doubt, but that those interests will likewise in due time be officially represented in Japan and Siam.

The third Section of the purposes of the expedition, is the establishment of Consulates at the open ports of China and neighbouring countries; the charge of this is entrusted to Consul General Heinrich de Calice, late Austrian Consul at Liverpool, assisted by the Chancelliers de Consulat Rudolph Schlick and Ladislav Hengelmüller. We are glad to learn that the Austrian Government recognize the necessity of appointing salaried Consuls whenever and wherever the interests of Austria justify such a course; such an officer has for the past ten years honourably filled such a post in Singapore, and in the interests of Austria we hope this gentleman will continue for many years to continue his consular career in this part of the world. It is also known that a non-trading Consul General to China will be appointed at Shanghai, and it is understood that further consular appointments will be made to other ports as circumstances require; Tientsin and Hankow, Foochow and a port in Formosa, and certainly Canton, where the Kingdom of the double eagle (丹鳳國) is still in the memory of many of the old Chinese merchants, would seem to be among the first to require such representatives of the Austrian Empire.

The Expedition will first call at Gibraltar, and then proceed to Cape Town and Port Elizabeth, at which places a rather long stay will be made in order to afford opportunity for a full enquiry into their trade and produce, which are so intimately related to those of Austria. Thence it will proceed to Singapore and Bangkok, at which latter port a treaty with Siam, already prepared, will be concluded, to which end the friendly aid of the English, French, and United States Representatives, has been promised. The expedition will then proceed to Hongkong, and then to the North of China for the conclusion of a Treaty at Peking, and this being effected the same course will be pursued in Japan, should the political condition of the country enable it to be done without too much delay.

During the negotiations of the Austrian ambassador with China, one of the most important matters to be considered is that of the appointment of efficient interpreters; so many mistakes have occurred, and so much difficulty has arisen at different times, in consequence of erroneous interpretation, that we feel we cannot lay too much stress upon this most important, though subsidiary, element in the diplomatic success of the expedition; an intimate knowledge of the spoken dialect translates the documents, and well character and high official classes desideratum which expedition cannot lodge of any of the more or less useful the expedition as eating with artizan we would urge the of an adept in the the country to a service to be performed.

After the termination of the expedition in coiffette *Archiduc* in these waters Austrian interests doubt have all the must lament the Governments to various vessels of war gunboats of light nately more useful the *Donau*, will give a view to the the Republic of was being performed start of *Novara* 1859, but the co prevented by the with Italy, and departure of the then to be made Paraguay, count increasing trade of Eastern Asia. The frigate *Donau* reduced her armament four-pounder commandant of the Minutilli, who was to Vice Admiral while holding that in the battle of armament has been to provide room tion for the private libraries, confers apartments suitable vices required of the expedition, are shipped the *Pr* Siam and the *Pr* which is a full-size of Austria, marble by Cava present from the to the first King contributes speculations of guns at the leading man such as Heggen turer at Vienna linen manufacturer at their own considerable value respective fabrics.

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high official classes of the Chinese, is a
desideratum which those in charge of the
expedition cannot overvalue; a know-
ledge of any of the local dialects will be
more or less useful to other sections of
the expedition as a means of communi-
cating with artisans and labourers, but
we would urge strongly the appointment
of an adept in the official language of
the country to assist in the diplomatic
service to be performed.

After the termination of the labors of
the expedition in China and Japan, the
corvette *Archduke Frederic* will remain
in these waters for the protection of
Austrian interests; her presence will no
doubt have all the effect desired, but we
must lament the tendency of European
Governments to send large and ponder-
ous vessels of war to China, where small
gunboats of light draught would be in-
finitely more useful. The other vessel,
the *Donau*, will go on to Valparaiso with
a view to the conclusion of a Treaty with
the Republic of Chili, a service which
was being performed by Baron Willer-
storff of *Novara* in the year
1859, but the conclusion of which was
prevented by the war which broke out
with Italy, and the consequent sudden
departure of the *Novara*. Treaties are
then to be made with Uruguay and
Paraguay, countries having a rapidly
increasing trade with Austria, and where
more Austrians reside than in the whole
of Eastern Asia.

The frigate *Donau*, of 32 guns, has
reduced her armament to fourteen twen-
ty-four pounder rifled steel guns, the
commandant of the battery being Baron
Minutello, who was formerly aide-de-camp
to Vice Admiral Tegelhoff, and was,
while holding that appointment, wounded
in the battle of Lissa; this reduction of
armament has been necessitated in order
to provide room for suitable accommoda-
tion for the principal officers, and for
libraries, conference rooms, and other
apartments suitable to the peculiar ser-
vices required of the various departments
of the expedition. On board this vessel
are shipped the presents for the Kings of
Siam and the Mikado of Japan, amongst
which is a full-sized statue of the Em-
peror of Austria, sculptured in Carrara
marble by Cauer of Rome, a private
present from the Emperor Francis Joseph
to the first King of Siam; the war office
contributes specimens of various descrip-
tions of guns and other weapons, and
the leading manufacturers of Austria,
such as Heggenbach, the glass manufac-
turer at Vienna, and Liebig brothers,
lion manufacturers of Reichenberg, have
at their own cost contributed articles of
considerable value in elucidation of their
respective fabrics.

On board the *Archduke Frederic*, ac-
commodation has been provided for the
Commissioners, and other civilians, who
will ultimately be joined by more who
will make their journey by the overland
or some other route, so as to enlarge the
field of observation, and embrace in the
work of expedition an inspection of the
works of the Suez Canal.

We hope and believe that this expedi-
tion, prepared with so much forethought,
and aiming at so much and such varied
good, will be attended with highly
advantageous results, politically, scienti-
fically, and commercially, not only to
Austria, but to the whole world.

COLLISION BETWEEN THE
CHINESE AND BRITISH IN
FORMOSA.

We have received the following from a
correspondent at Takow. Other letters,
containing further particulars, have also
reached us. Affairs in Formosa are as-
suming a serious aspect; but we with-
hold comment until to-morrow, when the
other details in our possession shall be
published. Our correspondent, whose
letter is dated Takow, Dec. 4, says:—

Sir,—As it may be interesting to some
of your subscribers and to the general
public to receive an account of the late
occurrences here, I venture to trouble you
with a brief statement of what has taken
place.

For the past nine months the local gov-
ernment has unceasingly persecuted mem-
bers of the foreign community, plundered
merchants of their property—taken their
Chinese employes prisoners—fired on them
in their houses, destroyed Missionaries'
houses and murdered their catechist and in
the most flagrant way violated both the
letter and spirit of the treaty.

To the remonstrances of former Consuls
they paid no regard whatever, and on Mr
Gibson, our present Consul, taking charge,
they refused to recognise him. He found
it necessary to apply for aid to the Naval
authorities, and at length with the assistance
of H. M. S. *Journe*, Captain Lord Chas.
Scott, he obtained promises of redress, and
the *Taotai* of Amoy, T'ang, was sent over
to Taiwanfo, nominally to settle the mat-
ter—the *Leopold* in the meantime having
proceeded elsewhere, and H. M. gunboats
Albatross and *Bustard* being sent to Taiwan.

On the 17th November, *Taotai* T'ang had
an interview with Mr Gibson, in which it
was plainly shown that he either had no
powers at all, or that they were useless for
any other purpose than merely investigating
the crimes of the local Government. When
Mr Gibson spoke of redress, he simply
laughed off the question, and said that with
regard to the claims that had been made,
they were in his opinion of very little
importance, and few of them were worth
talking about.

Under these circumstances it was decided
that H. M. gunboats *Albatross* and *Bustard*
should proceed to Amoy, the port of
Taiwanfo, and take possession of that
place and its Port, Zelandia, as a reprisal.
On arrival they found the town in charge
of a *Hep-Tai* with a few men, and procla-
mations were immediately posted ordering
all soldiers to quit the place, and a message
was sent to the *Hep-Tai* desiring him to leave

also, as Amoy was to be considered in
British possession until all claims on the
local Government should be settled.

On the 22nd, Mr Gibson returned to
Takow in the *Bustard*, leaving the *Albatross*
in charge of Amoy; and Lieut. Gordon,
commanding this gunboat, then went on
shore and informed the *Hep-Tai* that he
must leave within 24 hours, and at the
same time told the commander of a heavily
armed war-junk lying close to the Town
that she must leave or be taken. A severe
gale set in that evening, which lasted till
the 24th November, rendering communi-
cation with the shore impossible, but on
that day (the 24th) the *Hep-Tai* not having
left, Lieut. Gordon again went on shore
and desired him to go, and the war junk
also remained, she was boarded and
taken as a security.

In the afternoon some of the principal
Chinese merchants came off to the *Albatross*
and requested that the *Hep-Tai* should be
allowed to remain, and were informed that
unless a sum of \$50,000 was deposited with
Lieut. Gordon as a guarantee, that all Mr
Gibson's demands should be acceded to,
the town of Amoy would be taken possession
of the next afternoon and the *Hep-Tai*
taken prisoner.

On the morning of the 25th, trustworthy
intelligence being received that the place
was being strongly fortified, and had been
reinforced by 500 men, a despatch was
sent to the *Hep-Tai*, telling him that unless
he sent away the troops, and ceased to
mount any more guns, Amoy would be
fired upon, and the inhabitants were told
at the same time to abandon the town, as
the assault would commence at 3 P.M.

No answers being received, the batteries
and fort were shelled at the time named,
the town being spared, and at midnight
although it was blowing hard and a high
sea running, Lieut. Gordon landed with
one officer and twenty-three men and
stormed and took the town.

On breaking into the *Hep-Tai's* Yamen,
the quarters were found full of soldiers who
formed barricades and extinguished the
lights; by the aid of Portfires, however,
the assailants forced an entry and a hand-
to-hand fight took place. Every effort was
made to induce the soldiers to lay down
their arms but without avail, and on one of
them making a desperate attempt to stab
Lieut. Gordon, the order was given to fire,
when breaking down a door in their rear
they immediately fled. Sentries were then
placed, and the men, none of whom had
received a single wound, were allowed a
short rest. At daylight the little force
was concentrated and marched to the gate
leading to a wide plain in front of the town,
where they arrived just in time to meet a
large body of the enemy advancing to retake
Amoy. These troops were led by a man-
darin bearing a yellow flag, and here an-
other sharp engagement took place in which
Lieut. Gordon, taking advantage of an
embankment, completely routed the enemy
without the loss or wounding of a single
man. The position was then surveyed,
sentries stationed, barricades thrown up,
and a strict watch kept, but the enemy
did not re-appear.

On the 27th Nov., H. M. gunboat *Bustard*
arrived with Mr Gibson, and Lieut.
Johnson landed with 13 men to reinforce
the *Albatross* crew who were very much
fatigued, having had to keep watch night and
day. An interview then took place between
the Chinese authorities and the Consul and
Commanders of the gunboats—in which the
former promised to accede to all claims,
Amoy remaining in British possession
until such claims are paid.

Some of Mr Gibson's demands have al-
ready been settled and others are in pro-
cess of settlement, and then at last, owing
to the gentleman's wisdom and determina-
tion and the gallant conduct of Lieut. Gur-
don and the force under his command, has
redress been obtained for a series of flagrant
offences extending over a period of many
months. Had former Consuls acted in a
like manner, such vigorous measures would
probably not have been necessary, although
events may perhaps still have turned out
all for the best, since it is to be hoped that
the treaty-making Mandarins all over Chi-
na have learned a lesson they will not re-
adily forget that there are still Consuls who
know how to uphold the dignity of the
British Government and to care for the in-
terests of British subjects.

LOCAL.

We are glad to note the arrival of the
Diamond Line steamer *United Service* at
one o'clock to-day, as it removes the anxiety
naturally felt by her account. She re-
turned to Mauritius, having broken her
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ferred to the new licensees (Wohang and
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gambling servants, &c., still hold good,
and are guaranteed by the payment, be-
fore, of the caution money monthly. The
statement that the former licensees wished
to retain the farm is, we understand, with-
out foundation.

An extraordinary meeting of Sharehold-
ers in the above Company was held this
afternoon at the office of the General
Agents, for the purpose of confirming all or
any resolutions passed at the previous
meeting held on the 1st December.—H.M.
Wm. Keenlyde in the chair. The resolu-
tions relating to the dissolution and wind-
ing up of the old Company having been
read over, and no dissentient coming for-
ward, the Chairman declared that the
aforesaid resolutions were confirmed and in-
force accordingly.—The Chairman then re-
marked that it would no doubt interest the
shareholders to learn that the applications
for shares in the new Company were wide-
spread and general, and that they could
now rely upon the support of Shanghai and

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the northern ports. More applications had
been made than there were shares to allot,
and according to recent advices the appli-
cations would probably reach altogether
only 2,000 shares were available altogether.
The dividend of the old Company would be
payable at the Hongkong Bank on the 31st
instant.—As there was no further business,
the meeting separated.

The *Imperial* came off the South Bank
yesterday morning (Dec. 11) and anchored
at Woomun, where she will remain in con-
sequence of her large size and great draft
of water, 22 feet 6 in.—*Express*.

This first of a short series of Concerts was
given at the Old Lusitania last night by
the Italian Opera Company to an apprecia-
tive, though not overcrowded, house. It
was a most unfortunate contretemps for
this talented Company that the first concert
should have taken place at the very time
that most, if not all, of the gay and amu-
sable portion of the city were out of town
sure-seeking porten of their community
had left to enjoy the festivities which
Canton is at present affording. When the
Canton gaieties are over we hope to see
this Company favored with a crowded
house. We can at least say that lovers of
music will find in the present Company a
"Bonnie" sufficiently appreciating
to make one or two hours well passed.

The first part of last night's performance
commenced with a duet from Lucia de
Launmoroor, which was rendered with
remarkable precision and finish by
Signors Sabatini and Pellico. Signor
Eranni followed with the romance, "La
Stella," which he sang carefully and with
judgment. A duet entitled "Favorita"
was exceedingly well given by Mme. For-
cel and Signor Sabatini—more especially
after the former recurred from a slight
nervousness perceptible at first, but which
she quickly mastered. Mme. Houche's
appearance was a signal for enthusiastic ap-
plause—the song "Home, Sweet Home"
so tastefully and well, that an encore be-
came inevitable; to which she most
graciously acceded by singing with much
sweetness and spirit, her own prayer, "ac-
companied herself on the piano.

The second part opened with the roman-
ce "Leil non Mamava" by Madame
Pooleri, followed by the grand duet,
"Maandieri," by Madame Houche
and Signor Eranni, both of which were given
with much effect. Signor Pellico, amidst
repeated bursts of applause, again sang in
really beautiful style. After repeated calls
this gentleman again made his appearance,
and sang equally well in the manner in
which he gave an Italian National Air.
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TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr May on the Bench.
Ho Kut (shopman) and Ng Aoy (trader)
were charged with having assaulted the
Police while on duty. It appears that the
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The following particulars came to us
from another correspondent:—
"The village of Amoy was bombarded
by the garrison of the day following
by 22 men from the *Albatross*—no accident
to any of them. The Chinese lost some 40
to 50 killed and wounded; 150 to 170 can-
non (mostly 12 to 15 pounders), 11,000
stand of arms, and an immense quantity of
gunpowder destroyed; also a part of the
old Dutch Fort was blown up and one
gun captured (subsequently released)—a
pretty good share of work for 22 men and
two officers. The place was evacuated;
but the *Bustard* is close by, to prevent the
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that the Chinese boy had thrown the
fat with the intention of destroying
the Mussulman's caste, he would pun-
ish him severely. It was the first time
he had ever seen a Chinese getting pork
fat for him; he must remember that others
might think it stupid and foolish for him
(prisoner) to wear a queue, and therefore
might wish to cut it off, though he would
not like it. He would, however, look upon
it as not having been done on purpose, and
fine him only fifty cents.—The Mussulman
was then removed, none the worse ap-
parently of the assault upon his religious
beliefs.

Herman A. Klase is one of those marine or
land animals whose condition forms one of
the most knotty social problems to the un-
initiated and one of the great annoyances to
all with whom officially he has anything to
do. Klase is a Swede, and came to the
Charge Room yesterday, saying he was des-
tute. Inspector Grimes stated that he
had been in the Court once or twice before
for being drunk, and that he was a de-
stitute, and appeared to him to be scarce-
ly sane.—Defendant said that he came
from Liverpool in the Dutch barque *Adri-
ana Petrovella*, from which he was dis-
charged; he was now destitute.—On being
sent to Mr. Holland, Swedish Consul, the
following character from that gentleman
was received:—"Klase is quite an in-
curable character, and I will do no work
for him now. He is now in the Court, and
the Colony nearly three months; and I have
just paid an Hospital bill for him for \$81,
and a boarding-house keeper for each week's
maintenance, on the understanding that he
should ship in the first vessel offering;
but he will not ship, and really I do not
know what to do with the man. There is
a Norwegian ship in port now, and I shall
try to get the captain to take him."—Mr
May informed the prisoner that he was cer-
tain that the Swedish Consul was writing
what was quite true—prisoner was one of
those men who preferred to indulge in laziness
rather than gain his livelihood by
hard honest work. He would give him
fourteen days' hard labor as a rogue and
vagrant, and he hoped that the Colony
would soon be relieved of his presence.

THE SHOOTING OF A SUPPOSED
THIEF AT THE DOCK.
CORONER'S INQUEST.

The Coroner's Inquest upon the body of
the Chinaman, name unknown, shot by the
Dock watchman at the Dock early yester-
day morning, was held yesterday after-
noon (16th) at the Civil Hospital. Jurors:—
Messrs F. G. Young, J. W. Terry, and
Francis Francis.

Sikh P. C. Peer Bux stated that, hearing
a shot as he went on duty, he went to
the watchman's box, who admitted at once
that he fired the shot as "Villalions" were
about; Feroz said he fired at a number of
thieves, who came to the yard in a boat.
Dr. Cochran stated that, on examination,
he found a number of wounds on the right
hip and thigh and one or two small wounds
on the feet. Two wounds appeared at the
pit of the abdomen, one of which pene-
trated the wall, and several other parts
of the body. Other witnesses the body was
healthy. Death must have resulted from
the small shot wounds in the abdomen.
The shot went quite through the bowels.

P. C. Gowan recapitulated the facts as
given in our previous notice of the affair,
and added that he had seen the same man
(deceased) about a fortnight before, more
than once in the hut in which he was found.
Deceased was a fisherman, but had no
written authority for this piece of evi-
dence. Mr. Gowan said that he had seen
some difficulty in getting a boat to take
deceased to Hongkong. Feroz, the
watchman, did not at first know that he
had shot any one. None of deceased's
companions had returned since. The heap
of coals at the Dock appeared to have been
undisturbed; the witness (Gowan) has had
suspicions of the deceased for some time
of being a thief.

Mr. J. M. Emanuel, bookkeeper at the
Dock, narrated the facts similar to those
above, adding nothing of importance.
Some large lumps of coal were gone, and
coal dust was scattered about. A shot was
fired a few nights before at a boat, but mis-
siled. Witness believed that the watchman's
orders are to challenge boats at night, and
in case of obtaining no reply, to fire into
the same. This was necessary because
they were not safe with their lives over-
board since the death of Yaucoy; they had
been threatened to be burned down several
times.

The Coroner remarked that general
threats were scarcely sufficient to justify
the firing into boats after that manner.
Witness continued to say that the watch-
man had been a long time in the employ,
bears a very good character, and is always
just his place.

Feroz, the watchman, having been duly
examined, said that he saw a man belong-
ing to a sampan walking on the wharf at
the Dock at midnight on the 13th. When
near the coal-heap, he cried out to them
three times, and the man on the wharf
then hid himself amongst the Coals. Hav-
ing shown his light, the man in the sampan
jumped overboard, and the watchman fired
at him, and gave the alarm of thieves.
Whether he hit the man on the wharf or
those in the boat he could not say. The
boat disappeared. The constables then
came and asked him why he fired the shot,
and he answered that he did so because
thieves were in the Dockyard. Beyond
that, he did nothing. His orders are when
thieves come and try to steal, or refuse to
answer a hail, to fire into them, and then
give the alarm. These orders were given
before the Police went on there. His mus-
ket is always loaded, but not capped.

The Coroner then charged the Jury. He
said that as to the facts of the case, they
were evident enough; and were the duty
of the Coroner's Jury simply to decide as to
the cause of death, as was done in Am-
ries, and not to follow that up and state the
culpability of the man who caused the
death, the question would be easy enough.
As to the question of culpability, he would
tell them that, in any case of felony with
violence, a private person was perfectly
justified, and was bound, to do his best
to arrest the criminal and bring him to justice;
and if he could not do this by fair means,
he might do it by foul. In a case of rob-
bery, therefore, with violence, the law was
very distinct on the subject; but the killing
of a fellow creature is a last resource, and
when an arrest could not be brought about
by any other means. In this case of felony,
there was no force used by deceased, and
less there be such violence proved, nothing
would justify the killing of any one. He
was sure that their sympathies, as well
as his own, were with the watchman; but
the law was clear on the subject. Con-
sidering the annoyance to which the people
at the Dock had been put, the danger to
life, the Jury would no doubt be inclined

to look leniently upon the matter; but as
he had laid down the law, they could not,
he thought, fulfil their oath by any other
verdict than that of manslaughter, and
leave the circumstances to be dealt with in
another and higher Court by and by. They
need not be frightened by the idea of man-
slaughter as a verdict, because although
sometimes it amounted nearly to murder, it
was also punished occasionally by the fine of
only one shilling. However unwilling they
might be, he did not see what other alter-
native they had but to bring in a verdict of
manslaughter, if on their oath they believed
that no violence was used by the deceased,
or no arms carried by him, in his attempt
to commit a felony. In reply to a juror,
the Coroner said that a watchman was re-
garded by the law as a private person.

After some consideration, the Jury gave
their verdict, which was to the effect that
deceased met his death by a charge of shot
fired by the watchman Hadjee Feroz,
while deceased was attempting to steal
coal, but that, as no violence was used in
the attempt to commit the said felony, the
watchman's act amounted to manslaughter.
The Coroner said that he perfectly con-
curred in the verdict of the Jury, and he
would be responsible for the law as he had
laid it down. Now their verdict was given,
he would frankly say that the law was
never made for men like deceased and
others here in China; but so long as the
law remained as it was, he was bound to
lay it clearly before them. He wished that
it might have been otherwise; and if the
slightest attempt of violence had been made
towards the watchman, or if deceased had
even been armed, it would have given a
different turn to the case altogether.

The inquest concluded at a quarter be-
fore seven o'clock.

Hadjee Feroz, the watchman at the Kow-
loon Dock, was brought up on remand, at
the Magistracy to-day (16th) and the same
evidence, more fully detailed, as that
given before the Coroner, was recorded by
Mr. May. Mr. R. C. Caldwell appeared for
the prisoner in his capacity of solicitor for
the Company, and in cross-examination
elicited many incidental facts bearing upon
the justification of the prisoner. The Police
stationed over at the Docks have their
bayonets fixed, muskets loaded and capped,
and are under orders to fire at the legs of
all suspicious persons, during the night.
The deceased man was so much suspected
by the Police that he would have been ap-
prehended if found any time on the Dock
premises. The case was remanded until
to-morrow. Mr. Caldwell remarked that he
would produce every witness who could
throw any light upon the matter; the fact
of the man's death by means of the pri-
soner's act was clear, and he only intended to
amplify the case as to the incidental cir-
cumstances which would be likely to influ-
ence a Jury.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DESTRUCTION OF TREES.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."
HONGKONG, 16th December, 1868.
Sir,—Can you explain on what principle
it is that valuable Trees which have taken
say 10 or 12 years in growing are now being
removed and cut up for firewood in the
neighbourhood of Spring Gardens.
There is a Chinaman named Ayow who is
superintending this destruction, and he in-
forms me that he has direction from the
Government Gardens, but could show me
no written authority for this piece of ran-
dalm. He tells me the larger trees he is
removing to the neighbourhood of the Pa-
rade Ground, but I observed his men cut-
ting up and actually destroying a valuable
tree of the Mountain Ash kind. Apart
from the injustice to the residents at Spring
Gardens of disfiguring that pretty locality,
it is a great pity that, with the paucity
of trees we have on the island and the diffi-
culty in getting them to grow, any of them
should be destroyed.—Yours faithfully,
LOOK OOT.

THE NORTH.

We are in receipt of Shanghai files to
the 11th Inst.

(Evening Courier.)
[The following appears in large type in
the local columns of that journal, dated
11th Dec.]

IMPORTANT, FROM YANCHOW.
We learn on undoubted authority that—
"Li Futai, with twenty-five thousand men,
is approaching Yanchow. He declares
that he will kill Mr Taylor and all his party.
Mr Consul Medhurst is going up the River."

A Petition signed by a number of British
subjects of Chinese descent, on the subject
of the late Notification of Sir Rutherford
Alcock, with reference to the dress to be
worn by them in the interior of China, was
presented at H. B. M.'s Consulate on the
9th instant. It has been transmitted to
Peking. The petition was signed only by
those who could produce certificates of
their birth in a British colony.

A Correspondent complains to us of hav-
ing been stopped in the Malon and accused
in very strong language, of having made
some communications to this paper upon
certain local matters, and having been
threatened that Shanghai should be made
"too hot for him," if he continued to do so.
We refrain from doing more than
merely mentioning that the circumstance
has come to our knowledge, and expressing
a hope that so ill advised a mode of sup-
pressing public information may not be re-
sorted to.

A case of obtaining goods under false pre-
tences has occurred in the City, which has
attracted considerable attention among the
native population. It seems that a woman
went to a clothes' shop and purchased
sundry dresses &c., asking the shopman to
come with her to her house to obtain the
money. On arriving there, she asked him
to come upstairs; and, after some hesita-
tion he consented. No sooner had he entered
the room than a man sprang upon him, ac-
cused him of being there for unlawful pur-
poses, gave him a severe thrashing and
endeavored to extort money from him.
He contrived to get away and gave informa-
tion at the Che Hsien's Yamen. The man
and woman were arrested and were sub-
mitted, the former to 500 blows and the
latter to 200 and afterwards to be both
drummed round the town, with placards
upon them stating their offence, and songs
sounding to attract the notice of the popu-
lace.

A proclamation has been recently issued
by the *Taotai* concerning beggars. It is
noticeable that the *Taotai* does not object
to begging *per se*, or make any attempt to
stop it, his object apparently only being to
get the beggars out of the City at night. If

the straw sheds be covered in properly, and
sufficient food

Houses and Lands.

TO LET.
THE Corner HOUSE, No. 22 A, in Gage Street, containing six Rooms with Commodious Room and Godowns attached. Water and Gas laid on.
For particulars, apply to
H. PESTONJEE SETNA,
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Queen's Road,
Hongkong, December 11, 1868. tf

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With Immediate Possession,
TWO Two-Storey Granite GODOWNS at Wanchi, adjoining the Timber Yard of the Union Dock Company.
Apply to
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Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

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WITH immediate possession, the House and Offices, No. 4, Gough Street, lately occupied by Messrs A. WILKINSON & Co.
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Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

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Hongkong, October 5, 1868. tf

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Hongkong, October 1, 1868. tf

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Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

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The Undersigned will undertake to land and store, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

NOTICE.
TO LET.
THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Asiatic Bank.
For particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TO LET.
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Possession to be had on the 1st March.
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JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

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TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.
Apply to
GAVIN THOMPSON,
at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 16, 1868. tf

TO LET.
A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent \$28 per month.
Apply at the Victoria Foundry.
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

Intimations.

NOTICE.
DOCUMENTS Translated, at reasonable rates, from English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese or German into Chinese; or from Chinese into English. Address,
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H. G. THOMSON, Esq., B.N.

DONATIONS of Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Clothes, &c., will be most thankfully received.
A. OVEBURY,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, October 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
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10 Views from Plates, 14 by 12
26 do. do. 10 by 8
4 Small instantaneous Subjects from the DRAGON PROCESSION.
Hongkong, September 4, 1868. tf

COALS.
THE Undersigned are prepared to Coal all Steamers on the most reasonable terms from a Cargo of English Steam Coals now lying in this Harbour or from fresh Welsh and Australian Coals in Store.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1868. tf

Intimations.

CHU T-SING,
SAIL MAKER,
Bedford Lane,
No. 40, UPSTAIRS.
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Hongkong, July 13, 1868. dec31

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PLUMBER,
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Hongkong, October 28, 1868.

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GENERAL STOREKEEPERS, AND
COMMISSION AGENTS,
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NOTICE.
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Hongkong, October 30, 1868. tf

PORT OF AMOY.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.
THE BUOYS marking the Dangers in the Harbour of Amoy have been painted according to the Rule in use by the British Admiralty and Trinity Board, viz.: to mark the Starboard side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoys only. The Port side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoys Chequered or vertically striped with White, and Middle Grounds by horizontally striped Buoys.

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COCKER ROCKS—formerly marked by a Red Buoy are now marked by a vertically striped Red and White Buoy. This Buoy has been placed about 20 fathoms to the E. S. E. of the shoalest patch, in order to guard Vessels against Ledges of Rock, with 15 feet water, found to exist in that direction, and it may be passed close to the Port Hand when entering the Harbour. The shoalest patch or pinnacle of the Cocker Rocks, has a floating Beacon on it until further notice.

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JAMES JONES,
Clerk in Charge.
Office of Marine Outposts,
Amoy, August 13, 1868. jan2

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

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MR. J. THOMPSON is prepared to take PORTRAITS, VIEWS and other PHOTOGRAPHS—Rooms, Commercial Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, March 11, 1868. tf

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ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1868. tf

Intimations.

SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
NOTICE.
HOLDERS of Certificates of Shares in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company are requested to send them to the Agents of the Company, to be replaced by Receipts representing the amount of the old shares and the stock dividend added, pending the issue of New Share Certificates.
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Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

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Hongkong, November 4, 1867.

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H. COHEN.
Hongkong, March 18, 1867. tf

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Hongkong, December 8, 1868. jan8

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Opposite the Catholic Chapel.
Hongkong, December 8, 1868.

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A Few cases of APPLES, in excellent condition.
RAY & Co.
Hongkong, December 10, 1868. dec17

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Tons best screened Steam Coal.
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Eugene Clicheot dry CHAMPAGNE in Pints and Quarts.
Sillery Monseux, CHAMPAGNE.
Charles Noire, CHAMPAGNE.
A. de Luze & Fils CLARETS, Pints and Quarts.
Villanyi CLARET, Quarts.
CHABLIS.
BURGUNDY.
Liebfrauenmilch, Josephdorfer Ausbruch, Rudesheimer, Fleur de Moselle, Superior Old PORT in 1 dozen cases.
Superior dry Pale SHERRY in 1 and 3 dozen cases.
Bass ALE, Quarts and Pints.
Barclay's STOUT, Quarts and Pints.
Hennessy BRANDY in 1 dozen cases.
A. de Luze & Fils Brandy in 1 dozen cases.
Apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

FOR SALE.
THE desirable PROPERTY on Queen's Road, lately occupied by Messrs SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
For further particulars, apply to
SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
Hongkong, September 2, 1867.

ATHAM'S BRANDY in 1 doz. cases.
" SHERRY " 2 "
" PORT " 2 "
" CLARET " 1 "
BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, April 9, 1867.

STEAM COALS.
For Sale from Store, or deliverable on Board, ENGLISH—London and West Hartley, Davison's West Hartley, Straker's West Hartley.
WELSH—Blangware Marthyr.
Apply to ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 10, 1866.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
Just Received.
500 Barrels PORTLAND CEMENT.
Apply to
FREDERIC DEGENAER,
3, d'Aguilar Street,
Hongkong, September 12, 1868. tf

FOR SALE.
Ex S.S. "TIGRE."
A FEW Bags of Mocha COFFEE, @ 7/ per bag of 28 lb.
Apply to
G. DUBOST & Co.
Hongkong, August 31, 1868. tf

FOR SALE.
COALS suitable for Household purposes.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, October 3, 1868. tf

FOR SALE.
JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, MUMM & Co.'s HOCK & MOSLELE, qts. and pts.
Chillingworth's SHERRY and PORT.
CHAMBERLAIN, WHISKY.
WHITE & PRICE'S BRANDY.
ALBANY'S ALE, draught and bottle.
BARCLAY & GUINNESS'S STOUT.
BRIDGES & SONS' PORTER.
G. DUBOST & Co.
Hongkong, November 20, 1867.

FOR SALE.
150 CASES MARTINEZ Aromatic BITTERS, superior quality.
100 cases SHERRY.
100 " PORT.
MULLER & CLAUSSEN.
Hongkong, January 13, 1868.

NEW BOOK.
"THE Speculations of 'The Old Philosopher' LAU-TSE."
Translated from the Chinese BY
JOHN CHALMERS, A.M.
Price \$1.50.
Also,
"The Origin of the Chinese" by the same author. Price 1s.
Apply at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. or The London Mission House, Hongkong, October 17, 1868.

FOR SALE.
PHOTOGRAPHIC APPARATUS, complete.
MULLER & CLAUSSEN.
Hongkong, January 13, 1868.

FOR SALE.
YELLOW METAL, 16 to 28 oz. Minis and Vians.
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, April 6, 1867.

FOR SALE.
BASS'S BEER.
Albany's BEER.
Dynamite & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE BEER.
Guinness's STOUT.
Bridge's PORTER.
Porter's Pale India STOUT.
Hennessy's BRANDY.
Martell's do.
French PATATES and MUSTARD.
Imperial PLUMS.
OLIVIAN'S STORES.
CIGARS.
AMERICAN TOBACCO.
CANVAS, PAINT OIL, RED LEAD &c., &c., &c.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer & General Commission Agent,
COMMERCIAL BANK BUILDING,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, October 31, 1868.

FOR SALE.
MUNTZ'S YELLOW METAL, 20/28 oz. and NAILS.
Also,
Vian's Patent Yellow METAL Keel PLATES, 12lbs. and 13lb. with NAILS.
Apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, June 14, 1867.

FOR SALE.
THE Undersigned offer for Sale at very moderate prices a choice Assortment of fine flavoured Rhenish WINES, as: Genuine JOHANNESBERGER CABINET, STEINBERGER CABINET, MARCOBRUNNER CABINET, SCHARLACHERBERGER, LIEBFRAUEN MILCH, NIERENSTEINER, in quarts and pints. JOSEPHSHOFER, RUDOLPHERBERG, SELTZER WATER, in quarts and pints. Also,
Ruinart Perle & Fils CHAMPAGNE, in quarts and pints.
Gaspard Testat's CHAMPAGNE, in qts. and pints.
Perrier-Jouvet's CHAMPAGNE.
Jules Mumm.
Adolph Collins Bouzy MOUSSEUX.
Eugene OLIVIER.
Duc de Montebello CORDON, in quart and pints.
Sparkling HOCK.
After Dinner CLARET, in pints.
LAMBERT ATKINSON & Co.
Hongkong, December 14, 1868.

JUST RECEIVED.
EX "DUNMAIL," Etc.
LIME JUICE, in 5 Gallon Jars.
Guinness's STOUT in pints and quarts.
Draught BEER in hogsheds and kilderkins.
White Trowers DUCK.
BOWEA & Co.
Hongkong, June 11, 1868.

FOR SALE.
A SMALL Lot of Superior Old PORT WINE, Th. Cy. Saudeman, Oporto.
Fine Dry MADEIRA.
Fine CHAMPAGNE, COGNAC.
Various Superior Hungarian WINES.
Wm. FUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, August 8, 1867.

Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified for general information that the Commission in the Postage chargeable on Book and Packets of Patterns addressed to the United States of America transmitted via the United Kingdom will be as follows, viz:—

Via Southampton.

Under 4 ounces, 12 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 24 " "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 36 " "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 48 " "
For every additional 4 oz., 12 "

Via Marseilles.

Under 4 ounces, 10 cents.
Above 4 ounces and not exceeding 8 ounces, 32 " "
Above 8 ounces and not exceeding 12 ounces, 48 " "
Above 12 ounces and not exceeding 16 ounces, 64 " "
For every additional 4 oz., 16 " "
Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory in each case.

F. W. MITCHELL,

Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, June 13, 1868.

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steamship Company, for the Conveyance of Mails once a Month between Ceylon and Mauritius, and between Mauritius and Natal, having terminated, the correspondence for Mauritius will be forwarded from this Office in the Mail for Aden, from whence it will be sent to its destination by the French Mail Packet leaving Aden for Mauritius and Mauritius on the 23rd of each Month.

2. No alteration has been made in the rates of Postage on correspondence addressed to Mauritius.

3. As the communication with Natal and the Cape of Good Hope is thus cut off, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless marked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will, in future, be sent in the Mails for London at the following rates of Postage, which must be paid in advance, viz:—

Upon Letters sent by way of Southampton, 46 cents each 1/2 oz. When sent by way of Marseilles, 54 " "
Newspaper via Southampton, 4 " "
Newspapers via Marseilles, 6 " "
Book Packets via Southampton, 10 " "
Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 cents under 4 oz.; 28 cents above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.; and 20 cents for every additional 8 oz.

Book Packets via Marseilles, 14 cents under 4 oz.; 28 cents above 4 oz. and not exceeding 8 oz.; and 28 cents for every additional 8 ounces.

F. W. MITCHELL,

Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 9th September, 1868.

1.—On the 1st October next, and thenceforward Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange Current for each Mail, and charged with Commission according to the following Scale, viz:—

For sums not exceeding £2, 12 " "
Above £2 and not exceeding £5, 24 " "
" £5 " £10, 48 " "
" £10 " £20, 48 " "
" £20 " £50, 48 " "
" £50 " £100, 48 " "

2.—No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3.—Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4.—Alphabetical Lists of over 3,700 Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom, showing the Counties in which they are situated, are being up for public reference at this Office, and also at Shanghai and Yokohama.

5.—Applicants for Money Orders must furnish, in full, the surname, and, at least, the initial of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the mere term Messrs, such as "Messrs. Livingston" or the name of a Company trading under a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Carron Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who pays the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be indorsed to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order misgiving or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, (containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission) to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment.

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of a Money Order, or to renew a lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected, or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it have reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order is not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn, for instance, if drawn in January, and not paid before the end of the following January—all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If, by negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he see fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command,

F. W. MITCHELL,

Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

Docks.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Eight call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st March next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,

GEORGE N. MINTO,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868. mar1

FOOCHOW GRANITE FLOORED DOCK.

THE above Dock has been in full working order for the last four years. Length 300 feet, width at bottom 40 feet, depth of water on the sill, springs, average 17 feet, neaps 14 feet. The Dock in ordinary Tides runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam.

For further particulars as to the price of cooping, &c., &c., apply to F. D. TILLINGHAM, Esq., Messrs De Silve & Co., Hongkong; Messrs Boyd & Co., Shanghai; or to the Underigned.

In connection with the above is the powerful Twin Screw Tug "WOODSUN," Vessels requiring the services of this Tug either from Matsou (where a splendid anchorage will be found during the S. W. monsoon) or from the White Bays, can obtain them at moderate rates, on application to

JOHN C. SKEY,

Manager.

Pagoda Anchorage, River Min.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company respectfully call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels, to their Establishment at Hongkong and Whampoa, for the DOCKING and REPAIRING of Vessels of all classes.

At Hongkong the Company have the only Dock in the harbour, a Granite Dock, solidly built, and of dimensions to admit Ships of 360 feet in length, and drawing 22 feet of water.

Attached to it there are Shipwrights, Blacksmiths, Boiler-makers and Machinery works, and everything necessary for the Repairs of Sailing Vessels or Steamers.

The Company have also opened a Shipyard by the side of the Hongkong Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

At Whampoa the Company have four Docks, in which they will take Ships at reduced rates.

The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHAN" can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For particulars, apply to

JOHN INGLIS,

Acting Secretary.

Or to A. D. MITCHELL,

Manager of Works.

Company's Office, H. kong. Hotel Building, Hongkong, October 10, 1868.

Insurances.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON. Incorporated 1869.

CAPITAL—£1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL £500,000.

Managing Agents in China, Messrs.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Hongkong.

Medical Referee, J. IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, June, 1867.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine Risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Malabar, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information apply to ARNOLD KARBBERG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

JAVA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents at Hongkong and Canton for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.

ARNOLD KARBBERG & Co.

Hongkong, July 27, 1868.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged on short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

ARNOLD KARBBERG & Co.,

Agents, Lancashire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, April 14, 1868.

PHOENIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

LIVERPOOL, AND LONDON & GLOBE ASSURANCE COMPANIES.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$40,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, September 28, 1868.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE CO.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents of the above Company at the Ports of Tientsin and Kiangsu, are prepared to Grant Policies of MARINE INSURANCE at current rates.

DODD & Co.

Tamau, 10th August, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$80,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, August 24, 1864.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurances, viz:—

Detached and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, March 6, 1865.

Insurances.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY AND FORBES & CO'S CONSTITUTENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, February 28, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM. Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from Town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.

Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c. and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.

Agents North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, March 9, 1866.

NOTICE.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged in Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

GILMAN & Co.

Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.

Hongkong, April 7, 1866.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1800.

CAPITAL £2,000,000

ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,239,927.

ANNUAL REVENUE £497,263.

THE Undersigned AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

NOTICE.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 per cent.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full annual rate.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Agents.

Hongkong, April 8, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned are authorised to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insurance on the usual Terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, December 26, 1867.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE following rates will in future be charged for Short Period Insurances:—

One month, 1/2 per cent.
Three months, 2/3 " "
Six months, 3/4 " "

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding three months, 2/3 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 3/4 " "
Above 6 months, The full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.

Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

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Miscellaneous.

HARLES A. SAINT has on sale
Score BOOKS
FOR RIFLE PRACTICE,
as used at the WIMBLEDON RIFLE
MEETINGS.)
CONTAINING—
LIST OF OFFICE BEARERS, PRESIDENT AND
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PRICE, 50 cents each
Suitable for the waistcoat pocket.

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3.—Treaty with France.
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sitions of places on the Chinese and Japa-
nese Coasts.
The author in his Preface says:—"The
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measurement of goods, exchanges, &c. have
been selected from those constantly in use
among the foreign merchants in China.
Those for calculating the prices of tea in
dollars or pence have been copied from the
more extended tables by the kind permis-
sion of the author, P. Loureiro, Esq. The
last section of the same chapter on "Move-
ments in Bullion," has been prepared and
furnished for the Guide by Patrick R.
Harper, Esq., of the Commercial Bank of
India at Hongkong, who has had much ex-
perience in the exchanges and movements
of the precious metals in Eastern Asia."
The Appendix of Sailing Directions has
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With short interruptions, the coasts from
Singapore to Hakodadi are all described in
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tions have been improved by the insertion
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VESSELS LOADING.

| Destination. | Vessel's Name. | Flag & Rig. | Consignees. |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------|------------------------|
| CHINA & JAPAN PORTS— | | | |
| AMOI | Car. & Ita | N. G. bk. | Wm. Pustau & Co |
| NINGPO | Colima | N. G. bk. | Wm. Pustau & Co |
| Do. | Mobil | N. G. bk. | Bourjau, Hubner & Co |
| YOKOHAMA | Shaftebury | Ru. str. | Landstein & Co |
| Do. | Sultan | Br. str. | H. & O. S. N. Co |
| Do. | Ellen Morris | Br. bk. | Bourjau, Hubner & Co |
| Do. | Kedar | Br. bk. | Douglas Lapraik & Co |
| NAGASAKI | O. of Niagara | Br. sr. | Landstein & Co |
| OTHER PORTS— | | | |
| LONDON | Kelso | Br. bk. | Jardine, Matheson & Co |
| Do. | Roslin Castle | Am. bk. | Olyphant & Co |
| NEW YORK | Sterling | Am. bk. | Olyphant & Co |
| Do. | Louisa | Br. bk. | Russell & Co |
| HAMBURG | Glensia | Br. bk. | Arnold, Karberg & Co |
| MELBOURNE & SYDNEY | Joshua Bates | Br. bk. | Rosario & Co |
| SYDNEY | Melrose | Br. bk. | John Burd & Co |
| SAN FRANCISCO | Marie | N. G. bk. | Russell & Co |
| Do. | Golden Horn | Br. bk. | Russell & Co |
| SINGAPORE | Albatross | N. G. bk. | Heard & Co |
| BOMBAY | Despatch | Am. bk. | John Burd & Co |
| Do. | Chloris | N. G. bk. | Arnold, Karberg & Co |
| CALCUTTA, &c. | John & Mary | Br. str. | Gibb, Livingston & Co |
| Do. | Glensia | Br. str. | Jardine, M. & Co |
| MADRAS | N. Castle | Br. bk. | Jardine, M. & Co |
| BANGKOK | Lyeemoon | Br. bk. | Burrows & Co |
| Do. | Whitehall | Br. bk. | Holliday, Wise & Co |
| SAIGON | Edith Banfield | Br. bk. | Arnold, Karberg & Co |
| Do. | Gipsy | Br. bk. | Bourjau, Hubner & Co |
| Do. | J. Mathilde | N. G. bk. | Siemssen & Co |
| SURINAM | Stanley | Br. bk. | Arnold, Karberg & Co |
| Do. | Omha | Br. bk. | John Burd & Co |
| HAVANA | Veritas | Br. bk. | Turner & Co |
| MOULMAIN | Vistula | Ru. bk. | Landstein & Co |
| Do. | Cutwater | Am. bk. | Olyphant & Co |
| Do. | Garibaldi | Br. bk. | John Burd & Co |

* At Whampoa.

† At Canton.

MEN-OF-WAR IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

| Name. | Flag. | Rig. | Genl. | Tons. | Captain. |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bouncer | British | gun-boat | 3 | 230 | Rodney Lloyd, Lt. C. |
| Drake | British | gun-boat | 3 | 230 | in ordinary. |
| Flamer | British | naval hospital | — | 230 | Attached to Melville |
| Grasshopper | British | gun-boat | 3 | 230 | in ordinary. |
| Hardy | British | gun-boat | 3 | 230 | in ordinary. |
| Leven | British | gun-vessel | 3 | 300 | Oxford S. Cameron Lt. Comr. |
| Mecanee | British | Military Hospital | — | 2581 | Hospital ship |
| Melville | British | naval hospital | — | — | Geo. B. Hill, D.I.C. |
| Princess Charlotte | British | receiving ship | 14 | 2443 | Commodore Oliver J. Jones |
| Upadilla | U. States | gun-boat | 5 | 880 | C. Hatfield, Lieut. Comr. |

CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS.

| Vessel | Flag. | Tons. | Captain. |
|-----------|---------|----------------|----------------------|
| An-lan | Chinese | gun-vessel | 7 221 Godall |
| Chen-to | Chinese | gun-vessel | 7 221 Edwards |
| Ching-tai | Chinese | gun-vessel | 4 221 Bessard |
| Chin-bai | Chinese | gun-boat | 6 221 Deind |
| Chai-long | Chinese | gun-boat | 6 221 Francis |
| Spy | Chinese | Customs' Lorch | 3 221 Pointer |
| Sui-teing | Chinese | gun-boat | 5 180 Stewart |
| Tien-po | Chinese | gun-boat | 6 221 de Longueville |

HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON

STEAMERS.

| Vessel | Flag. | Tons. | Captain. | Owners or Agents. |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|------------|----------------------------|
| Dragon | British | 117 | Stephenson | P. & O. S. N. Co |
| Faine, (110 h. power) | Do. | 117 | Stephenson | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Fire Dart | Do. | 380 | Benning | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Kin Shun | Do. | 450 | Benning | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Kin Kiang | Do. | 617 | Benning | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Linhui | Do. | 617 | Benning | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Little Orphan | Do. | 46 | Benning | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Poyang | Do. | 379 | Oary | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Prince Albert | Do. | 180 | Oary | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Sir J. Jeejeebhoy | Do. | 101 | Oary | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |
| Spark | Amer. | 140 | Wilson | Thomas Hunt & Co |
| Spec | Do. | 140 | Wilson | Thomas Hunt & Co |
| White Cloud | British | 280 | Carroll | H. & W. Dock Company's Tug |

* Repairing at Hongkong.

SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of
errors in the following list.

Exclusive of To-day's Arrivals, Departures, and Clearances.

On Pedder's Wharf.—W.C., from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—W., Westward of Gibb's Wharf.—E.C., on Pedder's
Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E., Eastward of the Hospital.—K., on Kowloon side.

| Vessel's Name and Where Anchored. | Captain. | Flag and Rig. | Tons. | Date of Arrival. | Consignees or Agents. | Destination. | Intended Despatch. |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1868. | | | | | | | |
| STEAMERS | | | | | | | |
| Cadiz | W C Edmond | Brit. str. | 816 | Dec. 4 | P. & O. S. N. Co | | |
| Ellora | W Murray | Brit. str. | 1879 | Sept. 28 | P. & O. S. N. Co | | |
| Glengyle | E Hooper | Brit. str. | 1265 | Dec. 4 | Jardine, Matheson & Co | Calcutta, &c. | 22nd, 2 p.m. |
| Ottawa | W C Eyre | Brit. str. | 1274 | Dec. 12 | P. & O. S. N. Co | | |
| Shaftesbury | W C Aitken | Russ. str. | 524 | Dec. 15 | Landstein & Co | Yokohama | 20th, daylight |
| Sultan | W C Dundas | Brit. str. | 880 | Nov. 27 | P. & O. S. N. Co | Yokohama | 18th, noon |
| T. A. Gibb | W C Gardner | Brit. str. | 1050 | Dec. 14 | Gibb, Livingston & Co | Calcutta, &c. | 22nd, 2 p.m. |
| Vencedora | W C Guerra | Span. str. | 877 | Dec. 13 | Spanish Consul | Manila | |
| Venus | W Cuming | Amer. str. | 677 | August 30 | A. Heard & Co | | |
| Yung-hai-an | W C Morison | Amer. str. | 447 | October 19 | Landstein & Co | | |
| SAILING VESSELS | | | | | | | |
| Adelina | W C Schutt | N. Ger. sch. | 135 | Dec. 4 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Albatross | W Onken | N. Ger. bk. | 650 | Dec. 12 | A. Heard & Co | San Francisco | |
| Alida | W Torm | Dan. bg. | 250 | Dec. 4 | Melchers & Co | | |
| Allendale | W Gray | Brit. bk. | 450 | Dec. 13 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co | | |
| Anne | E Petrie | Brit. sch. | 304 | Nov. 22 | John Burd & Co | | put back |
| Arc-en-Ciel | E Lappartien | Fch. bk. | 237 | Dec. 10 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co | | |
| Batavia | W Hartzar | N. Ger. bk. | 466 | Nov. 29 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Candace | W C Meinschien | N. Ger. sch. | 233 | Dec. 3 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Canton | E Gott | N. Ger. bk. | 235 | Dec. 3 | Siemssen & Co | | |
| Callao | E Lavarello | Salv. sh. | 1440 | Nov. 17 | Jardine, Matheson & Co | | |
| Carmelita and Ita | W Jonson | N. Ger. bk. | 400 | Nov. 20 | Wm. Pustau & Co | Amoy | |
| Catharina Maria | E Brendts | Dut. bk. | 350 | Dec. 4 | Bornuo Company | | |
| Chine and Havane | E Robert | Fch. bk. | 715 | Nov. 14 | Order | | |
| Chloris | W C Leund | N. Ger. bk. | 300 | Nov. 20 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co | Bombay | |
| City of Niagara | W Mitchell | Brit. sch. | 102 | Nov. 27 | Landstein & Co | Nagasaki | |
| Contest | W Reynolds | Siam. bk. | 320 | Nov. 26 | Chinese | | |
| Cutwater | W Orulman | Amer. sh. | 635 | Dec. 3 | Olyphant & Co | Moulmain | |
| Dart | W Stuart | Amer. sch. | 80 | Dec. 12 | A. Heard & Co | | |
| Despatch | E Jones | Amer. bk. | 173 | Dec. 4 | John Burd & Co | Singapore | |
| Douglas | W Morrison | Brit. sh. | 540 | Nov. 25 | Bosman & Co | San Francisco | put back |
| Dunkeld | W C Tams | Brit. sh. | 689 | Dec. 13 | Bourjau, Hubner & Co | | |
| Edith Banfield | E Mitchell | Brit. bk. | 390 | Dec. 6 | Arnhold Karberg & Co | Saigon | |
| Ellen Morris | W Sillick | Brit. bk. | 194 | Dec. 8 | Bourjau, Hubner & Co | Yokohama | |
| Esk | W Nobbs | Brit. bk. | 404 | Dec. 11 | Russell & Co | | |
| Evening Star | W Young | Siam. bk. | 414 | Dec. 9 | Chinese | | |
| Fortune | W Dobrusen | Siam. bk. | 447 | Nov. 23 | Chinese | | |
| Friedrich | K Tuten | N. Ger. bg. | 233 | Dec. 14 | Bourjau, Hubner & Co | | |
| Friendship | W Klindt | Siam. bk. | 480 | Nov. 29 | Chinese | | |
| Garibaldi | E Bouff | Brit. sh. | 825 | Nov. 25 | John Burd & Co | Moulmain | |
| Geneva Bros | E Groenwold | N. Ger. bk. | 400 | Dec. 4 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Gipsy | E Siemssen | Brit. bk. | 255 | Nov. 23 | Bourjau, Hubner & Co | Saigon | |
| Golden Horn | E Rice | Brit. sh. | 1140 | October 28 | Russell & Co | San Francisco | Early |
| Goliath | W Silva | Siam. bk. | 543 | August 19 | Chinese | | |
| Handy | W Hanson | Siam. sh. | 543 | Nov. 22 | Chinese | | |
| Iris | W C Horn | N. Ger. sch. | 191 | Dec. 4 | Order | | |
| Jan Van Galen | E Goan | Dut. bg. | 335 | Nov. 30 | Jardine, Matheson & Co | | |
| Japan | W Kefarstein | N. Ger. sch. | 271 | Dec. 15 | Siemssen & Co | | |
| Johanna | W Sieman | N. Ger. bg. | 200 | Dec. 11 | E. Schellhaas & Co | | |
| Johanna Mathilde | W Lohse | N. Ger. bk. | 600 | Nov. 14 | Siemssen & Co | Saigon | |
| John & Mary | W C Galy | Brit. bk. | 190 | Dec. 3 | Douglas Lapraik & Co | Bombay | |
| Joshua Bates | W Devlin | Brit. sh. | 550 | Nov. 8 | Rozario & Co | Melbourne and Sydney | |
| Kedar | W C Cowie | Brit. bk. | 532 | Dec. 4 | Douglas Lapraik & Co | Yokohama | |
| Latona | E Williams | Brit. bk. | 286 | Dec. 7 | Arnhold Karberg & Co | | |
| Leen Fa | W C Collinson | Brit. bk. | 286 | October 10 | Order | | |
| Lucky | W Loop | Siam. bk. | 423 | Dec. 4 | Chinese | | |
| Lyeemoon | E Sorensen | Brit. bk. | 425 | Nov. 27 | Burrows & Co | Bangkok | |
| Lytleston | W Beck | Brit. sh. | 655 | Dec. 12 | Olyphant & Co | | |
| Macao | E Marales | Salv. sh. | 222 | Nov. 27 | Jardine, Matheson & Co | | put back |
| Maggie | E Bowman | Brit. sch. | 222 | Nov. 28 | Order | | |
| Malvina Vidal | E Kassal | N. Ger. sh. | 650 | Nov. 21 | Siemssen & Co | | |
| Marie | W Benzien | N. Ger. bg. | 215 | Nov. 23 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Marie | K Kluecke | N. Ger. bk. | 450 | Nov. 27 | Russell & Co | San Francisco | Early |
| Martha | E Hajo | N. Ger. bk. | 221 | Nov. 29 | Melchers & Co | | put back |
| Melrose | E Kindred | Brit. bk. | 287 | Dec. 5 | John Burd & Co | Sydney | |
| Merida | W Valbortte | N. Ger. bk. | 250 | October 26 | A. Heard & Co | New York | Immediate |
| Milton | W Smith | Brit. sh. | 1254 | Dec. 1 | Order | | |
| Mongal | W C Ooribe | Fch. sh. | 1064 | Nov. 14 | Order | | |
| Naiaden | E Nielsen | Norw. sch. | 237 | Dec. 4 | John Burd & Co | | |
| Naworth Castle | E Linklater | Brit. bk. | 343 | Nov. 22 | Jardine, Matheson & Co | Madras | |
| Neptune | W Bronck | Brit. bk. | 287 | Dec. 13 | R. S. Walker & Co | | |
| Neva | K Onate | Russ. sh. | 1400 | October 28 | Landstein & Co | | |
| Nina | K Mesquita | Port. sh. | 1099 | August 26 | Birley & Co | | |
| Nutanu | E Hager | Hawa. sch. | 150 | Nov. 26 | Melchers & Co | Yokohama | For sale |
| Ocean | E Nurnyes | Fch. bk. | 528 | Nov. 5 | Russell & Co | | put back |
| Omha | W C Thomson | Brit. sh. | 836 | October 30 | John Burd & Co | Surinam | Immediate |
| Omar Pasha | W Mayer | Brit. bk. | 350 | Dec. 14 | Chinese | | |
| Paraso | W C Soule | Amer. bk. | 540 | October 30 | Bosman & Co | | |
| Pekin | W C Seymour | Amer. bk. | 595 | Dec. 3 | Olyphant & Co | | |
| Princess Seraphi | W Koford | Siam. bk. | 454 | Nov. 16 | Chinese | | |
| Race Horse | W Kruse | Siam. sh. | 387 | Nov. 23 | Chinese | | |
| Rapid | W Carlos | Siam. bk. | 420 | Nov. 23 | Chinese | | |
| Red Deer | W C Spence | Brit. sh. | 694 | Dec. 7 | Silman & Co | | |
| San Lorenzo | W Ledesma | Span. bg. | 220 | Dec. 3 | Remedios & Co | | |
| Sirene | W Claassen | N. Ger. bk. | 284 | Dec. 12 | Silman & Co | | |
| Sophie | W Ohlton | N. Ger. bg. | 221 | Dec. 14 | Order | | |
| Stanley | W C Daughy | Brit. bk. | 384 | Nov. 23 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co | Saigon | |
| Stirlingshire | W McCulloh | Brit. bk. | 549 | Dec. 13 | Japtain | | |
| Taffarette | W Roeber | Fch. bk. | 399 | Nov. 28 | Russell & Co | | |
| Tekli | E Keer | N. Ger. bk. | 350 | Nov. 22 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Ulyses | E Chauvelon | Fch. bk. | 312 | Dec. 20 | Arnhold, Karberg & Co | | |
| Uranus | W Schoof | N. Ger. bk. | 305 | Nov. 30 | Wm. Pustau & Co | | |
| Veritas | W Ingram | Brit. sh. | 632 | October 7 | Turner & Co | Surinam | Early |
| Ville de Grenade | W Carrigue | Fch. bk. | 269 | Dec. 13 | Landstein & Co | | |
| Vistula | W Burkitt | Russ. sh. | 635 | Nov. 22 | Landstein & Co | Havana | |
| Whitchall | W C Marsh | Brit. sh. | 936 | Nov. 22 | Holliday, Wise & Co | Bangkok | |
| Zephyr | E Ostrum | Dut. bk. | 490 | Dec. 4 | Russell & Co | | |